

## **IC 20-26-18**

### **Chapter 18. Criminal Gang Measures**

#### **IC 20-26-18-1**

##### **Application**

Sec. 1. This chapter applies to every school corporation and to a school city to which IC 20-25 applies.

*As added by P.L.190-2013, SEC.7.*

#### **IC 20-26-18-2**

##### **Establishment of written policy**

Sec. 2. (a) Not later than June 1, 2016, the governing body of each school corporation shall establish a written policy to address criminal gangs and criminal gang activity in schools. The governing body of a school corporation shall develop the policy in consultation with:

- (1) parents;
- (2) school employees;
- (3) local law enforcement officials;
- (4) the county prosecuting attorney;
- (5) the county public defender;
- (6) organizations that have expertise in criminal gang education, prevention, or intervention;
- (7) a juvenile court judge;
- (8) a school behavioral health or community mental health professional; and
- (9) any other person or entity the governing body of the school corporation determines to be appropriate.

(b) The policy must meet all the requirements for the department's model criminal gang policy set forth in IC 20-19-3-12(d).

(c) Not later than September 1, 2016, each school corporation shall submit a copy of its criminal gang policy to the department.

*As added by P.L.190-2013, SEC.7.*

#### **IC 20-26-18-3**

##### **Publication of policy**

Sec. 3. A school corporation shall put a copy of the school corporation's criminal gang policy established under section 2 of this chapter:

- (1) on its Internet web site;
- (2) in school student handbooks; and
- (3) in any location the school corporation determines to be appropriate.

*As added by P.L.190-2013, SEC.7.*

#### **IC 20-26-18-4**

##### **Establishment of education programs**

Sec. 4. A school corporation shall establish the following educational programs in its efforts to address criminal gang activity:

- (1) An evidence based educational criminal gang awareness program for students, school employees, and parents.

(2) A school employee development program to provide training to school employees in the implementation of the criminal gang policy established under section 2 of this chapter.  
*As added by P.L.190-2013, SEC.7.*

#### **IC 20-26-18-5**

##### **Establishment of criminal gang intervention program**

Sec. 5. To foster the continuing coordination of gang prevention, intervention, and suppression efforts, the governing body of a school corporation may establish a program to provide criminal gang intervention services to students. If a school corporation chooses to develop a program under this section, the governing body shall establish an advisory committee that includes the following members:

- (1) Parents.
- (2) School employees.
- (3) Local law enforcement officials.
- (4) The county prosecuting attorney.
- (5) The county public defender.
- (6) A juvenile court judge.
- (7) A school behavioral health or community mental health professional.
- (8) Representatives of organizations that have expertise in criminal gang education, prevention, or intervention.
- (9) Any other person or entity the governing body determines is appropriate.

*As added by P.L.190-2013, SEC.7.*

#### **IC 20-26-18-6**

##### **Reporting requirements**

Sec. 6. (a) Not later than June 1, 2017, and before June 2 of each year thereafter, each school corporation shall submit to the department a written report, on forms developed by the department, outlining the activities undertaken as part of the school corporation's compliance with this chapter. The report must include school based data to monitor for disproportionality, with each school reporting the number of investigations disposed of internally and the number of cases referred to local law enforcement, disaggregated by race, ethnicity, age, and gender.

(b) Not later than November 1, 2017, and before November 2 of each year thereafter, the department shall submit a comprehensive report concerning criminal gang activity in schools to the governor and the general assembly. A report submitted to the general assembly under this subsection must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6. The report must include the following:

- (1) A summary of the activities reported to the department under subsection (a).
- (2) Any recommendations or conclusions made by the department to assist in the prevention of, education about, and intervention in criminal gang activity in schools.

*As added by P.L.190-2013, SEC.7.*